

An act to add Sections 75200.2 and 75200.3 to the Public Resources
Code, relating to greenhouse gases.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 75200.2 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:

75200.2. The council may designate a state agency or department to administer the program for the disbursement of grants and loans to support the planning and development of sustainable communities consistent with this part and Section 39719 of the Health and Safety Code.

SEC. 2. Section 75200.3 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:

75200.3. Moneys appropriated to the council pursuant to Section 39719 of the Health and Safety Code may be used by a state agency or department designated by the council pursuant to Section 75200.2 for that state agency's or department's support and local assistance costs.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

Bill No.

as introduced, _____.

General Subject: California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program.

The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The act authorizes the state board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Existing law continuously appropriates 60% of the annual proceeds of the fund for transit, affordable housing, sustainable communities, and high-speed rail purposes.

Existing law, as part of the continuous appropriation from the fund, requires the Strategic Growth Council to develop and administer the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through projects that implement land use, housing, transportation, and agricultural land preservation practices to support infill and compact development and that support other related and coordinated public policy objectives.

This bill would authorize the council to designate a state agency or department to administer the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program for the disbursement of grants and loans to support the planning and development of sustainable communities. The bill also would authorize the moneys continuously appropriated to the council from the fund to be used by a specified state agency or department for support and local assistance costs.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.